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SUBJECT: PORTUGUESE TO MEET WITH FRELIMO IN LUSAKA

REF: LUSAKA 1083

FROM VAN OSS

AGREE THAT INCREASED CONTACT WITH FRELIMO LEADERS SHOULD BE APPROACHED CAUTIOUSLY, ESPECIALLY IN VIEW OF DELICATE NATURE OF NEGOTIATIONS WHICH ARE APPARENTLY TO BEGIN IN LUSAKA. WE CAN SEE NO PROBLEMS WITH CONTACTS WITH PORTUGUESE SIDE. FRELIMO, HOWEVER, IS NOT A GOVERNMENT, ITS ROLE IN THE FUTURE OF MOZAMBIQUE HAS NOT YET BEEN DEFINED, AND IT HAS NOT IN PAST SHOWN ANY PARTICULAR FRIENDSHIP TOWARDS U.S. ANY INFORMATION WHICH CAN DISCREETLY BE OBTAINED FROM FRELIMO SIDE WILL BE OF GREAT INTEREST, BUT CONTACTS WHICH APPEARED TO BOLSTER FRELIMO'S PRETENSIONS TO BEING SOLD REPRESENTATIVE OF MOZAMBIQUE ENGAGED IN SOVEREIGN NEGOTIATIONS WITH GOP MIGHT MAKE MORE DIFFICULT EFFORTS OF GOP TO OBTAIN AS DEMOCRATIC AND REASONABLE A SOLUTION TO MOZAMBIQUE

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PROBLEM AS POSSIBLE. IF HIGH LEVEL CONTACTS WITH FRELIMO

SHOULD OCCUR CASUALLY, AS AT A SOCIAL OCCASION, PERHAPS
AN EXPRESSION OF US INTEREST, AND OUR HOPE THAT MOZAMBIQUE
WILL HAVE A PROSPEROUS FUTURE, WOULD BE IN ORDER.
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